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Team Canada picks Haliburton player

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Local hockey talent Matt Duchene doesn't speak Russian but he might want to brush up on the language.

Shortly after Duchene's inaugural OHL season with the Brampton Battalion came to a premature end March 27, the 17-year-old received some unexpected and exciting news – he'd been named to Team Canada's national men's under-18 team.

From April 13 to 23 he'll don the red and white jersey for the IIHF World U18 Championship in Kazan, Russia.

"I got a call from Ron Pyette from Hockey Canada and then Pat Quinn called me at the school," said Duchene

who's finishing his school year at HHSS after spending the regular hockey season in the city.

The Pat Quinn he speaks of is none other than the Pat Quinn whose coaching

See **From Russia** page 12

Echo wins four golds, one silver

The Haliburton County Echo does "an exceptional job in marrying both word and image," say the judges in the Ontario Community Newspapers Association's annual awards competition.

The Echo took second place among all newspapers with a circulation between 3,500 and 6,500.

The paper also came home from the convention in Toronto with four first-place awards and its sister newspaper, the Minden Times, came first among all weekly newspapers with a circulation between 2,000 and 3,499.

"A very comfortable read, the photos are high end, and the commentary is riveting," the judges in the category for best newspaper overall said. "Martha Perkins is a very astute editor and can shift from measured praise in one editorial to addressing the shortcomings of a local councillor in another. The stories are well written and one skips from news to sports, to feature with fluidity, the telltale sign of a well-orchestrated effort."

Reporter Greg Hoekstra won his first provincial award for his story on the future of snowmobiling. He came in first among all papers, regardless of circulation, in the Best Business and Finance Story category.

"Greg Hoekstra questioned whether the local snowmobile market is sustainable in an era of rising winter temperatures. His story tapped many sources and was relevant to the community."

See **Steve Galea** page 13



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Waiting for the sap to run

Instead of twiddling his thumbs while waiting for the sap to start running, Maple Moon's Eric Thompson polishes up his boiler in preparation for another maple syrup season. That season can't come soon enough for local syrup producers. Story page 9.

Police charge man after spate of vehicle break-ins

On April 4 officers from the Haliburton OPP arrested and charged a 22-year-old Dysart et al man with three counts of break and enter, three counts of theft under \$5,000 and one count of carrying a concealed weapon in relation to several

break and enters and thefts reported last Friday in Haliburton village.

On Friday, the OPP received more than a dozen complaints from the public regarding vehicles being entered. In some instances the suspects entered

garages and ransacked vehicles inside. The incidents occurred during the night in the areas of Harmony Road and the Haliburton by the Lake subdivision.

Minor thefts of cash and personal property occurred at some of the locations.

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Nature inspires exhibit at Rails End Gallery

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The outdoors are a source of inspiration for this versatile local artist, whether a tiny flower or a raging storm. Maija Stone works primarily in watercolour and acrylic, with forays into inky hues that reveal her expressive take on nature.

Stone is a retired teacher with a special interest in art history. At first glance she doesn't appear to be a risk taker, but then you look at her work and you see that she is standing on a firm technique foundation and jumping off with joy.

This is a teacher who loves to learn and experiment. Maija Stone has made her home in Highlands East since 1999 and maintains an active studio, called "Dapplewood" overlooking Stormy Lake.

Continually experimenting with materials, techniques and new ideas she strives to live up to her motto "Why not?". This is Stone's first solo show.

No daytime burning allowed

ALTHOUGH THIS WEEK is supposed to be a chilly one, we are confident that one day soon all this ice and snow will melt. When that happens, people won't want to waste another minute cooped up inside. But everyone should remember that the annual no-daytime-burning rules came into effect on April 1. You can't burn your leaves and brush from two hours after sunrise to two hours before sunrise. When you do burn, you have to watch the fire and be prepared to put it out should it spread to areas you don't want. Landowners who don't follow the rules can be forced to pay what it costs to have their local volunteer firefighters pay a visit if the fire gets out of control.

From Wednesday to Saturday, anyone who loves music should drop by the Northern Lights Pavilion for the annual Haliburton Highlands Music Festival sponsored by Len and Kit Pizzey. There's a full schedule of performances and you can pick up your copy from the Haliburton County Echo office. Meanwhile, if you want to enjoy highlights from this year's festival, mark Saturday,

April 19 on your calendar. This concert of wonderful music starts at 7 p.m. at the Pavilion.

Steve Galea. What a funny guy, right? A few years ago he told us about an upcoming Yodel-palooza concert, sure to attract hundreds of yodelers in lederhosen. A couple of years after that he let us know that Dr. Howell would be coming to

Haliburton Forest to lead a workshop on wolf whispering. And just last week he explored how hensqueezing uses barnyard chickens to attract wild turkeys. It may not seem that there is a lot in common between these stories but readers, especially those who love nature and wouldn't dream of putting a hen under their armpit and playing it like a bagpipe, should note that they were all published on April 1. No fool, our Steve.

Don't forget that you have until Friday to guess when the last ice cube will melt on Head Lake in Haliburton. Send your guess to the Echo office. You can e-mail editor@haliburtonecho.ca, fax 457-3275, mail Box 360 Haliburton or drop by the office - the big blue house perched on the shores of Head Lake. The deadline is Friday, April 11 at 5 p.m.. The winner will receive a free year's subscription to their choice of either the Haliburton County Echo or Minden Times. Good luck and have faith!

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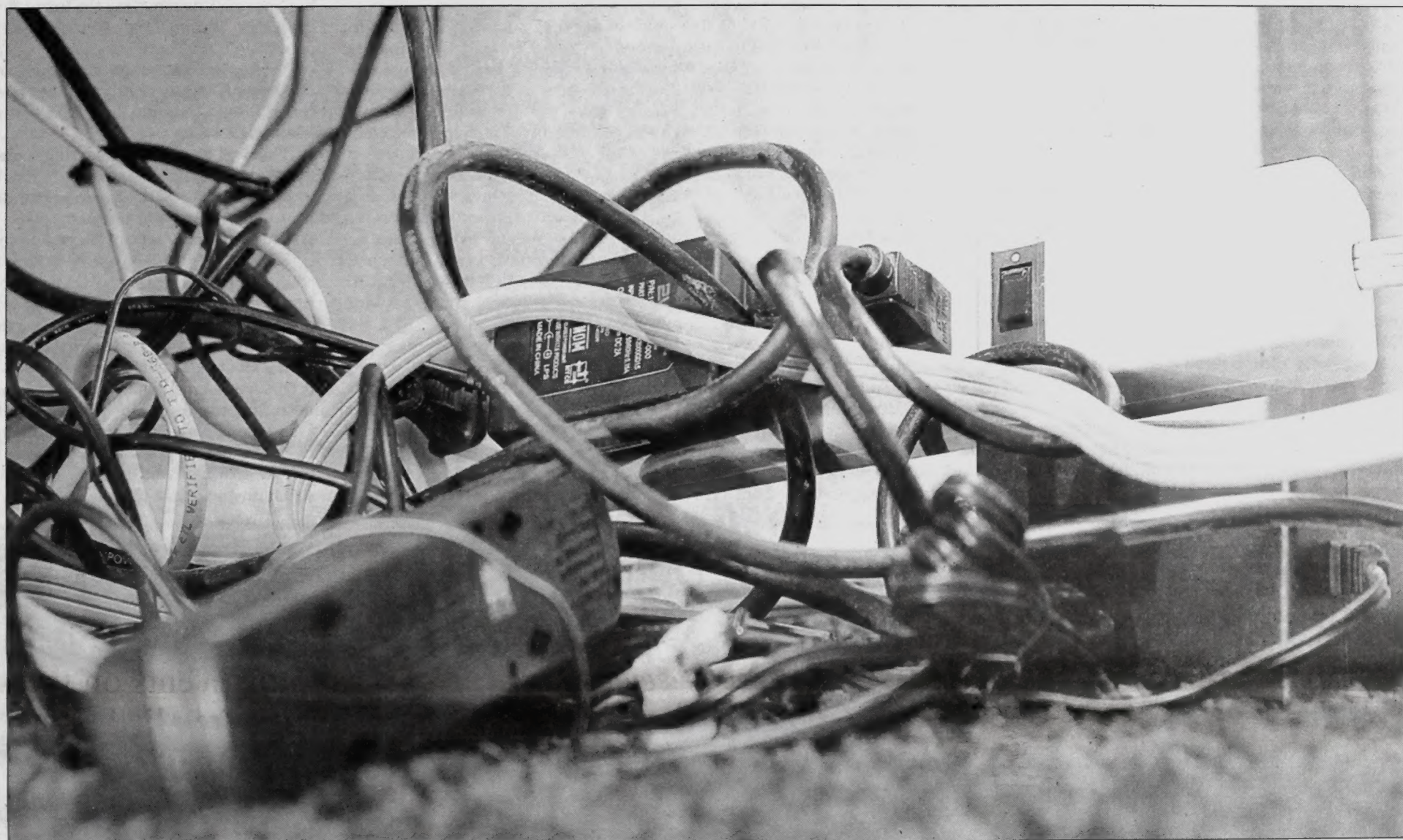
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Don't overload your power bars

GREG HOEKSTRA

Staff Reporter

It's likely a familiar sight to many residents in the Highlands – a power bar with more tentacles than an octopus stashed beneath a computer desk or crammed behind a home entertainment system.

But in recent weeks, overloaded power bars have been blamed for two separate fires in Haliburton County, the first of which led to an evacuation of the Mountainview Apartment complex in Haliburton on March 19, and the second which damaged a Wilberforce home less than one week later.

In the wake of the two fires, fire officials and electricians are now reminding residents about the danger that overloading power bars can pose to both homes and personal safety, calling into question just how much is too much when it comes to using power bars.

Steve Churko, owner of Churko Electric, says the first thing people need to keep in mind is that power bars are only meant for use with smaller electronics, such as clock radios, DVD players, desk lamps, or computer monitors and speakers.

"Power bars are designed to provide a few extra outlets at the back of a computer, for example. But the minute they are used to plug in heavier loads, like heaters or extension cord after extension cord, then they become a real hazard," says Churko.

In fact, as a rule of thumb, nothing that creates heat should ever be plugged into a power bar, including toasters, portable heaters, coffee makers, irons, or hair dryers.

Two recent fires
have been linked to
power bars, which should
prompt everyone to check
to see if they are
using theirs improperly

Whereas the average home computer uses 120 watts of electricity, coffee makers can use as much as 1,200, toasters as much as 1,400, and hair dryers as much as 1,875. (Coincidentally, the maximum load for a six-plug Mastercraft powerbar is 1,875 watts.)

Churko says home owners should also be vigilant about replacing power bars as they get older, since over time the sockets can become loose and lead to electrical arcing.

"Arcing is probably the number one cause of power bar fires," he says. "Basically, people should make sure that the outlets are still good and tight and the contacts aren't corroding. Using a 10-year-old power bar would be like using an old cracked up extension cord, and how many people would do that?"

Home owners should avoid covering power bars with clothing or other items which could smoulder and start

a fire in the event of arcing. Power bars should also never come in contact with baseboard heaters, which could increase the risk of fire.

When buying a power bar, Churko recommends resisting the urge for a cheaper model and opting for a good quality bar that has been approved by the Canadian Standards Association. Check for cracks in the cords before buying, and ask a store attendant for a bar with at least a 16-gage wire, or ideally a 14-gage wire.

"Buying a better quality bar is a very cheap way of ensuring you don't have a problem," says Churko.

Highlands East fire chief Bill Wingrove adds that power bars should always be plugged directly into the wall, never into an extension cord – a lesson one resident of his municipality learned the hard way on March 25.

Fortunately, the fire on Loop Road caused minimal damage but Wingrove says the situation could have been avoided altogether if there was more public awareness about the proper uses for power bars.

"I think we all put a little too much faith in the power bar," he says. "And, of course, the other problem is that these days we need so many outlets for everything."

While firefighters were quick to respond to the fire, sparked by a power bar in a book case, Wingrove says homeowner's home computer, monitor and telephone were all destroyed in the incident. For that reason alone, it's worth spending the extra few dollars on a quality piece of equipment, he says.

"You might save a dollar or two [on a cheaper power bar] but it could mean big bucks in the long run," he says.

Province paves the way with \$6 million

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

What a difference a weekend makes.

On Friday, March 28, some local politicians were worried that they wouldn't be able to undertake necessary infrastructure projects without big tax increases.

Only two of five local governments had received funding under the Municipal Infrastructure Investment Initiative.

But by 4:30 the following Monday, the province had poured an additional \$6 million in the county's government coffers for bridges and roads.

"Municipal governments have been crying the blues for so long and the province finally listened," says a much-relieved Laura Janke, treasurer for Haliburton County.

The county didn't receive any money from the province on Friday but on Monday it found itself \$2.5 million richer – an amount that matched how much it is hoping to spend on capital roads projects this year. This includes \$1.8 million on rehabilitating the 3.4 km stretch of

County Road 1 from Soyers Lake Road to Wonderland Road.

Dysart et al got \$1.35 million for roads on top of the \$1.3 million it got on the previous Friday to help pay for a new library in Haliburton. Minden Hills got \$981,000 for roads having received \$500,000 to fix the water system at Lutterworth Pines three days earlier.

The two municipalities that had been frozen out of the infrastructure investment initiative were also much happier by Monday afternoon. Algonquin Highlands got \$543,000, which pays for half the cost of fixing the Buckslide bridge and Highlands East got \$654,000. Its big roads project is \$450,000 to make the intersection at Houston Road and McGillivray Road safer.

All told, the recent provincial budget provided an \$8 million cash infusion in Haliburton County.

"There was some jubilation, I tell you," says county warden Eleanor Harrison, who had spent an anxious Monday waiting for the funding announcements. The county had hoped to get \$600,000 for roads so everyone was ecstatic about the

\$2.5 million.

"Downloaded highways are taking most of the roads budget so this enables us to do some of the other roads as well," she says.

Ever since the province downloaded various responsibilities, municipalities have been struggling to find a way to pay for big projects. This type of funding, Fearrey says, allows municipalities to complete those big jobs while not ignoring all the little ones.

After a winter like this one, with constant freezes and thaws, Dysart et al could have received \$5 million in funding and not make a dent in its to-do list. Potholes are a serious concern and there's all the clean-up work left over from the huge January thaw, which caused widespread flooding.

Road work costs more than most people imagine, he notes. Thanks to such things as higher oil prices for surfacing, "your money doesn't go as far as it used to."

"Roads are falling apart," says Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch. "Municipalities just don't have the

money. It's the downloading that killed us."

The extra funding from the province will go to these smaller tasks as well as big ones such as repairing the Burnt River bridge on Brohm Drive, which came in \$200,000 above the tender price because of requirements from Fisheries and Oceans. Another bridge that needs repairs is the one on Pine Lake, off the Eagle Lake Road.

"This will save us from having a major tax increase," he said, adding that the municipality is still hoping to get funding from other provincial sources.

Ratepayers will be as relieved as local politicians. As Janke notes, when the county missed out on the first round of funding it would have had to raise taxes by 18 per cent just to pay for the County Road 21 project on its own.

"It's all good news for us," she says.

This year ratepayers will also benefit from the province's decision to freeze assessment increases. Even with that freeze, however, assessment in the county rose 1.75 per cent thanks to new construction and home improvements.

Rotary gets behind caboose project

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

The Haliburton caboose has a new engine so to speak. The Rotary Club of Haliburton has voted in favour of taking the lead on resurfacing the exterior of the old caboose.

George Kadoke made the pitch to his fellow Rotarians, who agreed to help preserve the artifact from Haliburton's rail past.

Kadoke's presentation was based on input gathered from the public meeting on February 12. The meeting came up with many options for the caboose's future in Head Lake Park, including relocation ideas.

Of course before any transformations to the caboose can take place, Rotary must first obtain permission from Dysart council, which owns the caboose.

Kadoke, under the guidance of Rotary, hopes to have a plan and proposal together by late April, which he'll subsequently present to council.

"There is a starter fund of \$3,000 available," said Kadoke of monies made available by Rotary. "And the club may get involved in soliciting further contributions through its charitable account."

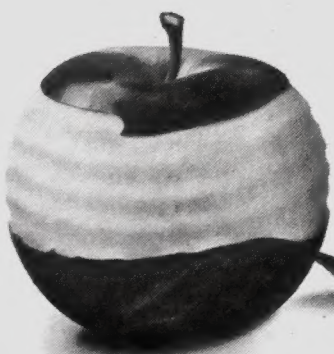
People can show their support by e-mailing comments to savethecaboose@yahoo.ca, where they can also sign up to volunteer for the project.



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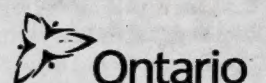
At 3:40 p.m. on Wednesday the Dysart et al Fire Department responded to a single vehicle accident on County Road 3. The driver, 57-year-old Suzanne Walmsley of Highlands East, was southbound when her SUV veered off onto the shoulder, climbed a snow bank, and flipped onto its roof. "We had to take one of the front seats out so the ambulance (crew) could get her out," said Dysart fire chief Miles Maughan. She was immediately taken to hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

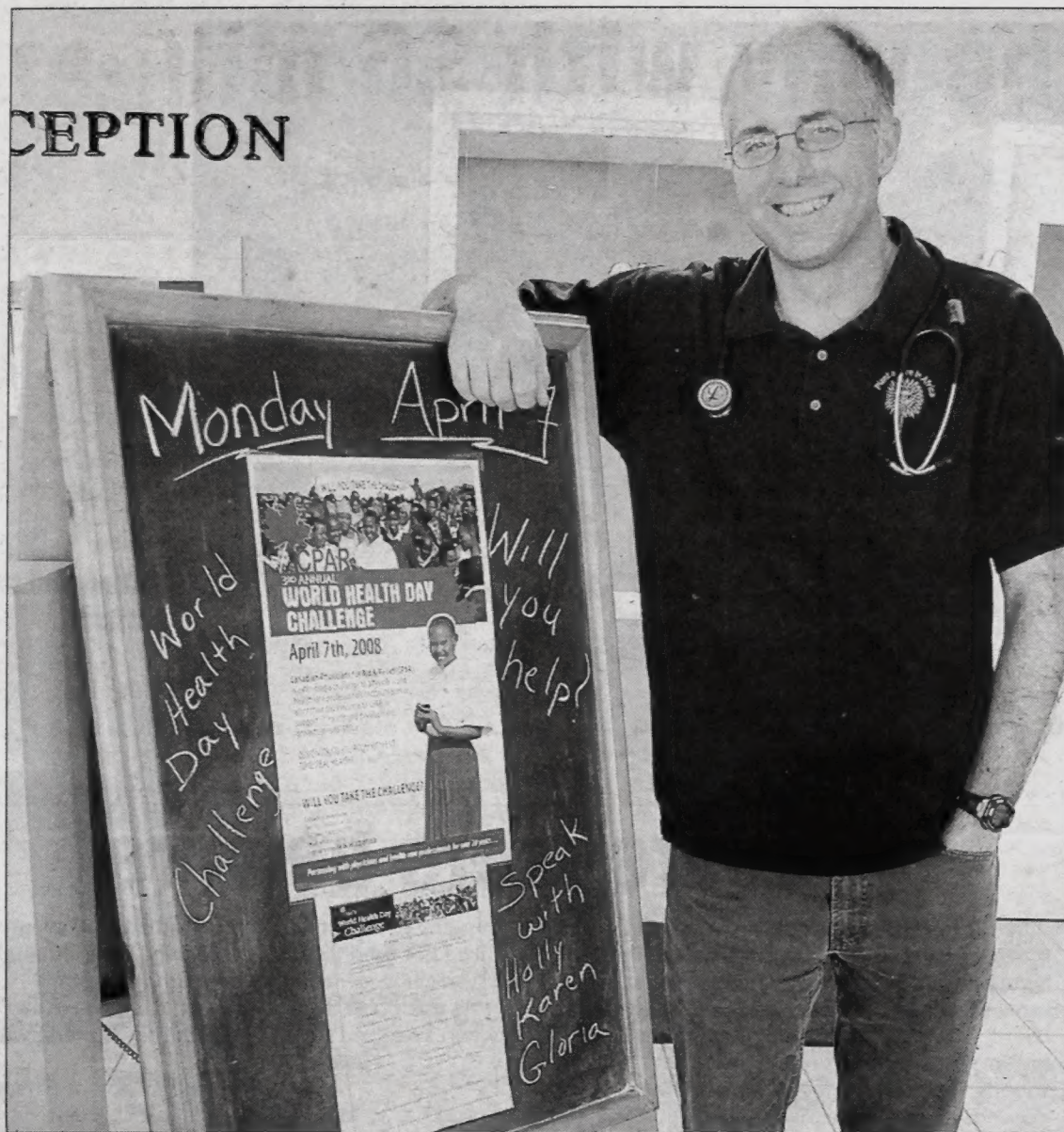


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Dr. Steve Ferracuti first heard of Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief when he was a medical student. Yesterday, he and two other doctors at the Haliburton Medical Centre donated their day's pay to the organization which helps overcome problems caused by poverty in Africa.

Helping Africa all in a day's pay for doctors

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

Would you donate a day's pay for a good cause?

Dr. Steve Ferracuti, his wife Kristy Gammon, and fellow co-worker Aoife Conway at the Haliburton Family Medical Centre, did just that for the 3rd annual World Health Day Challenge on April 7.

The event is sponsored by Canadian Physicians for Aid and Relief (CPAR), an organization founded in 1984 by physician Mark Doidge in response to the extreme and poor health conditions faced by Ethiopian refugees in Sudan. The main objective is to help overcome poverty and build healthy communities in Africa.

Ferracuti first heard about CPAR back in medical school.

"It sounded like a really great cause," he says, explaining his commitment to the organization.

CPAR began as a relief organization and over the years has transformed into an organization that focuses on sustainable on-going developments such as agricultural projects, reforestation, access to clean water, latrine construction and well drilling, as well as HIV prevention.

"The relief also helps train local people in health care as well as midwives, as maternal mortality is a major problem right now," Ferracuti says.

In the first year the World Health Day Challenge raised \$30,000 and in year two it doubled to \$65,000. This year the goal is \$80,000.

Participation numbers for this year's event is only 87 health-care professionals.

For the past 10 years Dr. Ferracuti has organized the successful Kash Dash here in Haliburton to raise money for CPAR. The annual road race attracts dozens of runners motivated to help a good cause.

Ice race fencing should be gone by week's end

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

It's been more than a month since snowmobiles ripped around the Highland Cup track on Head Lake and while the weather co-operated for the weekend event, it hasn't cooperated for organizer Harold Foyster who's still coping with the clean up.

"Due to Mother Nature everything is frozen in," said Foyster. "We haven't really had a good mild spell that would last long enough for us to do anything."

Foyster and a few helpers were out on the track yesterday removing any remaining hay bails and tarps that aren't frozen into the ice.

"For everybody's concern, if they're wondering, yes it is getting cleaned up very shortly. Again we're waiting for the mild temperatures to allow us to do it."

Some parts of the fencing are still frozen into the ice but he hopes that most of the stakes would be taken out Monday. Tearing the orange fence from the ice is not an option for Foyster as he intends to reuse the fencing.

"I would say the majority of it will be cleaned up by the end of this week," he said.

The end of the week can't come soon enough for Dysart et al councillor Derek Knowles.

"It should have been gone right after the race," Knowles said at Monday's council meeting. "We're not conveying the right message here. We wouldn't tolerate that in the park... I just think it's appalling."

Reeve Murray Fearrey said that next year there will be a stipulation that the fencing must be removed within 48 hours of the races.



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It's pretty safe to say that someone who lives in Haliburton wouldn't fare well in New York city or Los Angeles. When it comes to street smarts, we don't got 'em. The only smart thing we do is make eye contact with the people we see on the street or wave to each other as we drive past one another.

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editorial

martha perkins

As a recent OPP report reveals, many of us leave our vehicles unlocked overnight in our drive-ways. Not only that but we sometimes leave our wallets or other valuables

in our unlocked vehicles. Last week, someone didn't have much trouble getting into these vehicles to steal what was inside.

Only in small towns do the police have to remind the citizenry that it's not wise to expose ourselves to theft in such ways. Can you imagine an urban police force having to issue such a warning? We Highlanders must be either very trusting or very naïve.

In recent weeks, four of the churches in the county have also been broken into. It's so shocking that someone would try to steal something from a church. Why target an institution that's done such good in the community, even more an institution that would probably give you the money if you were desperate enough? (It's even more shocking that a thief believes that churches have money. Obviously they haven't been keeping up with their news.) But in spite of this, and to its credit, St. Paul's Anglican Church in Minden refuses to lock its doors. It wants to be a place of refuge, no matter what time of day. It won't let its faith in humankind be shattered.

It's not usually a lack of morality that leads to such crimes, however. Instead, often it's someone with a drug habit that needs constant feeding. Drugs are expensive and have to be paid for; you also do things when you're on drugs that you wouldn't normally do. So you steal to get money to pay for your drugs. When you land in jail, you're not as employable when you get out so you revert to stealing again. If you're addicted, the cycle is even worse. Our jails are filled with people with drug problems.

There are addiction services available in the county; the problem is getting people to recognize that they need help, or to make the sacrifices that are necessary to break such an addictive habit. Breaking the habit is better than breaking into churches but it's easier said than done.

As a society we can leave these people to fend for themselves but that won't do anything to solve our problems or make our communities safer.



Skating and all that jazz..

Photo by :
GREG
HOEKSTRA

Eavesdroppers beware

In turkey calling, there are essentially three types of calls: slate, box, and diaphragm calls. Slate calls are straightforward – they work on the same theory as running your nails across a chalkboard, except instead of utilizing your nails, you use an acrylic peg to make turkey sounds. Similarly, a box call also depends on friction to make sounds – this time it is a chalked piece of wood rubbing against another chalked piece of wood that is part of a sound chamber.

A diaphragm call, on the other hand is a bit different. It is simply a piece of rubber held taut within a shaped frame and it is placed up on the roof of your mouth when you're ready to use it. Once there, you blow air over it to make a variety of turkey sounds.

I'm a big fan of diaphragms. And I don't mind saying that on many occasions they have saved the day for me. Because of this, I'm always praising them.

For instance, just the other day I was in a crowded supermarket line up when I received a call on my cell phone from a young friend who was seeking advice on which type of turkey call to purchase. Since he already owned a number of slate calls, the debate centred on the other two types.

"Look," I said, "you use what you want, but my trusty diaphragm has never failed me."

The lady in line beside me must have been a turkey hunter because her ears immediately perked up.

Reluctant to leave it at that, my friend then asked about the mechanics of using them.

"Well, that's a good question," I replied. "A diaphragm is not easy to use; in fact when I first got mine, I had a real hard time installing it. I kept

gagging every time I put it back there. But eventually, I got used to it so I could keep it in, although I'll admit it seemed very unnatural at first."

At this point the line up was silent – and that's when I realized how popular turkey hunting was around here.

My pal then asked how a person knows what is in correctly.

"Oh that's easy," I chirped. "You'll know you have it in right when you can easily force air over it to make sounds...I remember the first time I actually did it. I was so excited; it sounded so much better than the noises I was used to making!"

"Needless to say, it annoyed my wife," I chuckled.

By this time a small crowd had stopped to listen and the cashier called for the manager.

My friend, who is a shrewd and cautious consumer, however, was not fully convinced. Why are they better than other calls, he asked.

"The best part about them is that they're hands-free," I advised. "Once I have my diaphragm in, I hardly know it's there until I need it."

And do they really work, my buddy asked.

"Look," I said, "nothing works all of the time. I mean in the heat of the moment you could put it in wrong or even swallow it if you're goofing around. But day in and day out, a diaphragm works for me," I proclaimed, not only to him, but to all within earshot.

Still, he was doubtful.

"And just to prove it," I smiled, "I have mine in my shirt pocket and I'm about to install it and show you how great it sounds when I yelp."

Between you and me, I figure that the produce manager is an anti-hunter. Why else would he kick me out of the store?



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Spring in the city is what you make it

THE SCREAMING WAS so loud Ian wanted to cover his ears but didn't. However, another fellow walking ahead of him did just that. At the time, a small group of them was walking down a cement tunnel, having just stepped off a subwaycar deep underground. The screaming, metal rubbing metal, was the car as it pulled away from the station.

The tunnel which herded travellers up to the subway station was an unpleasant place. Overwhelmingly grey and rough-walled, it looked like a dungeon in the shadow-strewn yellow light. No one spoke. For the fifth time that day Ian wondered how people could live like this.

Then, waiting on the platform for the subway train, he felt as much as heard the thunderous pounding of another train as it passed overhead. He imagined the workers building these places, layer upon layer of tunnels and tracks with the greasy weeping walls and the darkness. He wondered if it was like working in a mine.

The people around him ran the gamut. Women in headscarves stood beside spandex-wrapped youth and business suits with briefcases. Two elderly Asian women loaded with shopping bags chatted excitedly while a young couple seemed to be

kissing goodbye over and over again. But once the train pulled up and its doors hissed open, a silence usually fell over the car as people sat reading or staring blankly away from other faces.

The train lurched forward and Ian settled himself for the ride back to his friend's house. Tomorrow was the last day of the conference and he would be glad to return home, away from this cold, hard, and unnatural world.

The next day the sun came out and Ian was pleasantly surprised to see it sparkling off the lake beside the conference's hotel. It was break time between workshops and as he stood chatting with a colleague, sipping coffee, he noticed there were paths weaving around trees down by the lakeshore. Perhaps he would go outside during lunch and get some fresh air.

At noon, massive buildings rose up from the pavement, monolithic and anonymous making him feel small and lost. But then he saw a delicatessen market and decided to find something for his lunch. A few minutes later he was sitting on a sun-drenched bench enjoying a very fresh slice of pizza while pigeons began to congregate not too far away. Despite the lean pickings, they waddled about, heads nodding incessantly as they pecked the cement underfoot.

Refreshed by the change in scene as much as the food, Ian sought out the paths he had seen from the window that morning. He was not the only one with this in mind.

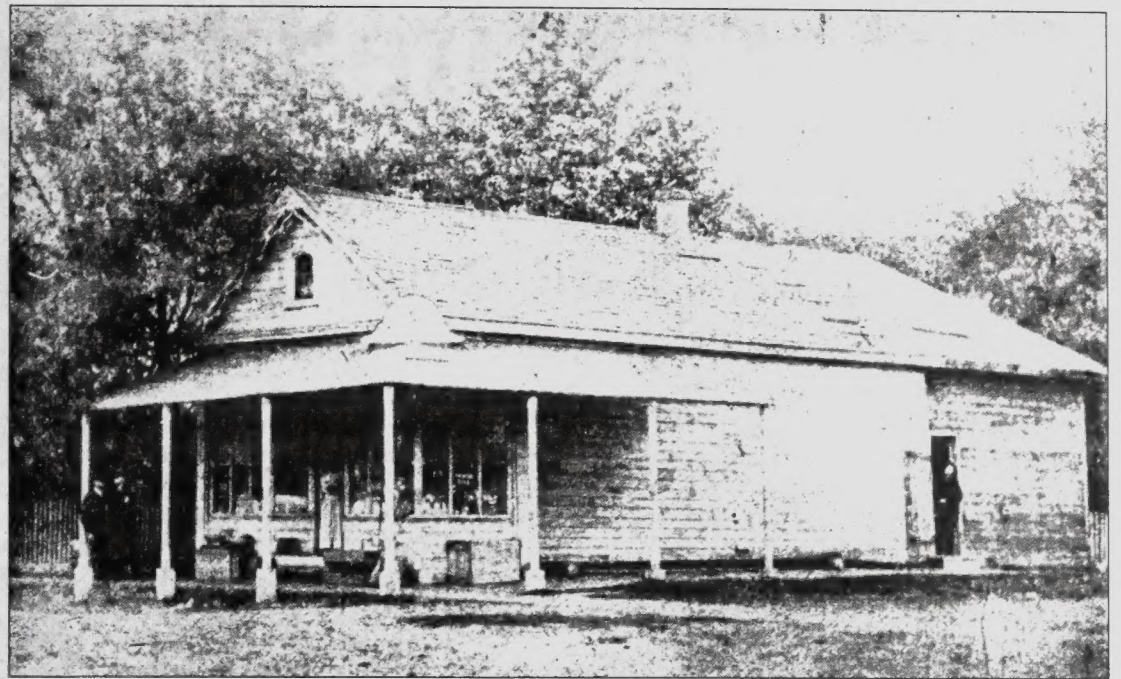
The sun beamed down on a man exercising his large poodle and a woman with two small dachshunds trotting side by side. A dishevelled man with dirty face and hands weaved among the walkers on a wobbly bike, stopping now and then to ask for a dollar to buy a hot dog. People from Ian's conference sat looking out at the lake but deep in conversation. Ian thought it was a bit like the subway train only more spread out and no longer quiet. Here people spoke. Mothers spoke to children, husbands to wives, colleagues to each other.

What connected them all was being outside on this sunny piece of earth by a large body of water. Yes there was floating plastic garbage in pools by the shore but rather than gazing at this for long, Ian preferred to look at the ducks. They were beautiful though he knew not what kind. They bobbed on the waves, alternately flipping into a dive below the surface and making little clicking sounds that were new to him. But what Ian really noticed was the effect of the ducks on the people. Heads turned, feet stopped, smiles appeared and fingers pointed. The ducks were a big attraction to everyone.

Ian was witnessing the power of the natural world. It drew people to itself, and connected at a basic level. No matter who they were, people craved and felt pleasure in its presence. The small bare trees, the winding paths that made the walk longer, the flat cold water, the dabs of muddy earth: this was all bathed in the warm spring sun, the smell of damp soil, the joyous ducks. Perhaps there existed somewhere hard research demonstrating that humans could live in any environment so long as they could experience nature some of the time. Ian did not need statistics to know it was true.

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pic of the past

Post Office and store - 1892. South east corner of Highland Street and Maple Avenue. It was later replaced by another Post Office. Today there is a collection of stores on the site, one selling Haliburton paraphernalia.

letters to the editor

Sustainable Shustainable

Dear Editor:

Re: Mining Sustainability

This phrase appears in nearly every statement from Bancroft Uranium. There is no such thing. Sooner or later the ore is depleted and the few jobs that may have been created disappear. The mining company also disappears, leaving decaying infrastructure and a terrible scar where nothing will

grow for hundreds or thousands of years.

Sustainable mining? Humbug.

Jean Clarke
Haliburton

P.S. The proposed initial area of destruction near Tory Hill is 3,500 acres. The area of Head Lake is 153 acres. The mine would create a hole the size of nearly 23 Head Lakes.

Art is a celebrated part of awards

To the Editor:

It's so gratifying to realize that Haliburton County truly does understand the impact the arts community has on the business and economic health of the region.

This was evident in the Chamber of Commerce Business and Community Achievement Awards handed out last Saturday where the arts triumphed in three categories: Young Entrepreneur - Tiffany Howe, Newflanglers Arts Festival; New Business - The Art Hive, Maple Lake Artisans Collective; and Highlander of the Year - Caryl Miller, Performing Arts.

The support we have all received from local

community members, businesses and individuals, both permanent and seasonal, are truly appreciated. As one of the award recipients and a member of the arts community I would like to thank not only the Chamber for the award, but everyone in the county who supports the arts with their patronage, financial support and enthusiastic attendance at events.

As we all know Haliburton County is a special place and the arts community is a huge part of that uniqueness. Thank you for the recognition.

Sandi Luck

The Art Hive, Maple Lake Artisans Collective

Boonieville

by Charlie Teljeur



Visitor excited to be in Haliburton

Isn't Canada always under a deep blanket of snow and ice?

NEIL COPE

Special to the Echo

I glanced at my watch and noted that at the exact scheduled departure time, 2 p.m. on the 29th of December, I felt that enormous surge of power as the plane set off at rapidly increasing speed along the runway. My journey to Canada had begun. I watched the skyline of Sydney, Australia quickly disappear and settled back into my seat.

My mind was filled with all the words that had been said to me prior to departure. "Hope you've got plenty of warm clothes." "How are you going to handle the cold?" "How will you get on in sub-zero temperatures?"

Sitting there, I was one of the many people from my side of the world who have a wrong picture of Canada. We think that Canada is snow and ice each and every day of the year. Canada must take some blame for us having this picture because every postcard, Christmas card, or greeting always has a vast area or building covered with snow.

My heart, however, was full of sheer joy. At last I was on my way to again see my dear friend whom I had not seen for what seemed an eternity since her enjoyable visit to me in Australia.

Some 23 long, sleepless hours later, I finally felt the wheels of the aircraft thud down on the tarmac of Pearson Airport. Tiredness deserted me. I felt wonderful – finally I was in the same country as that special person.

Unfortunately my friend could not be at the airport so I was faced with filling in five hours until the coach left for Haliburton. I stored my luggage in a locker and set out to explore Toronto. I was quickly dissuaded from continuing this venture because every time I crossed a street the cars attacked me from the wrong side which was quite disconcerting and even a bit frightening.

I returned to the terminal and found a coffee shop where I struck up a conversation with the owner. I was very lucky – he knew Haliburton well. It was wonderful to hear him tell me that I was going to a

beautiful area of Canada.

The hours of the day passed and, finally, my coach was pulling in at Haliburton. My excitement was immense – at long last I was here in Haliburton. My friend was there to meet and greet me, accompanied by her parents (obviously curious to meet this guy.) It all very quickly made me feel very welcome. I felt so comfortable and started wondering if I could be lucky enough that they were typical of Canadian people.

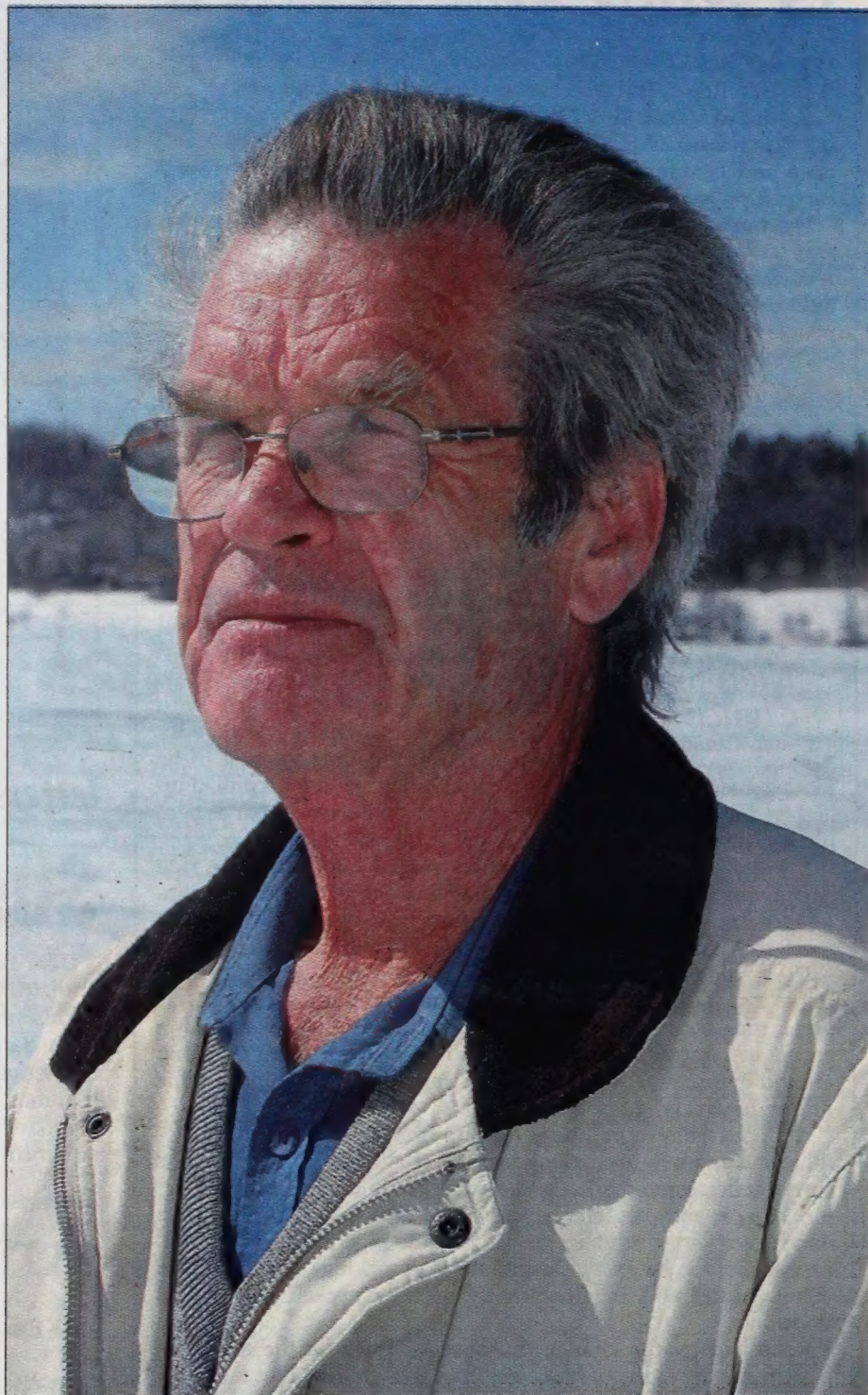
I have been here for some little while now and have formed some opinions.

Though I lived in Australia I was in fact born in New Zealand. In New Zealand we are brought up to think we are God's Own Country, perhaps the most beautiful country in the world. I say with considerable pride that New Zealand is definitely a very beautiful country but, while different in so many ways, Haliburton and its surrounds definitely match it. While I am seeing everything at its worst, with everything frozen, I can readily appreciate the sheer beauty that summer will reveal when all those vast areas become lakes of sparkling water instead of ice.

It is so obvious to me why so many people wish to make this area their holiday destination with all that is on offer by way of outdoor activities and also the cute craft shops, galleries and the like.

While Haliburton can be very proud of all that is offered, there is something else that I believe is one of its greatest assets – its people.

I have never come across people so warm, courteous, cordial, easy to talk with – just plain friendly. I refer to both people in commercial settings and the people in the street. I have been privileged to speak to many complete strangers and without exception each conversation has been easy and most enjoyable. Many have been fascinated by my accent. I enjoy telling them that I am actually from New Zealand, not Australia as they assume, and a little of my country. It has become evident to me that most people here know a little about Australia but virtually nothing about New Zealand, that little country a little bit further on.



GREG HOEKSTRA/Echo

Neil Cope travelled 23 hours to visit Haliburton, expecting ice and snow. Well, yes, he saw lots of it, but most of all he was impressed with the people.

I have written this story for two reasons. First to congratulate Haliburton for her beauty and all she has to offer the visitor and newcomer. Secondly, and more importantly, to convey a message to all

those many people who have spoken with me and given me so many enjoyable moments.

That little message? A very sincere "Thank you."

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Beavers cause highway to cave in

MATT JAMES

Staff Reporter

A beaver dam blocking two culverts along a stretch of Highway 118 between Haliburton and West Guilford has caused half of the highway to crumble.

Stan MacKinnon from the Ministry of Transportation said they were notified of

the road on Friday. "We've been keeping an eye on it," he said Monday.

By that afternoon half of the road, about a 20 foot-wide section, had crumbled, leaving anywhere from one-inch cracks to gaping holes, above. Because the beaver dam was blocking water from running through the culverts the water found its way under the highway.

Trevor Humphrey of Fowler Construction believed that the water was circulating underneath the highway.

This eventually weakened the road causing it to crumble.

MacKinnon estimates the damages at about \$50,000.

The road will be down to one lane for the next two to three days.

Maple producers hurry up and wait for spring

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

Eric Thompson looks out at the forest behind his sugar shack. He's got 1,350 trees tapped but nothing's happening. It's April 3 and the sap is not yet running.

"I hope it just goes crazy," he says as he waits for the weather to start telling the trees that it's time for the roots to send sweet nutrients to the branches. We've had warm enough days to for the sap to run but they follow nights that are too cold. The trees spend all day just getting warm enough to thaw out.

Thompson has been making maple syrup for almost two decades. In recent years he's done it professionally as owner, with his wife Carol, of Maple Moon on Hwy 118 north of Haliburton village. His records show that the season usually starts on March 23, 24 or 25. One year it came early, with the first boil on March 11.

This year he had one small boil on the night of April 2 but it was more to keep him from howling at the moon.

Is spring just a couple of weeks late or

will it come so fast that we'll go from winter to summer in just a matter of weeks?

When asked what this season will be like, Thompson says "I compare it to the farmer who plants corn. What will the crop be like? I'll tell you when I harvest it."

"You just take what Mother Nature gives you."

The rule of thumb is that you get one litre of syrup for every tree tapped. With so many trees on their property, the Thompsons use bright blue plastic tubing to get the sap from tree to sugar shack, a sump pump bringing the sap into the boiler when there's enough to kick-start the process.

Eventually the Thompsons would like to have 2,000 taps but that requires a lot of work. They have to cope with tree branches falling on the lines, and bears and squirrels chewing into those same lines in order to circumvent the process. Deer love to crash through the lines too. "Anyone who makes maple syrup has to love it. It's very labour intensive," Eric says.

Although Maple Moon is one of the



Spring is about two weeks late arriving in the Highlands.

county's largest producers – and only makers of maple wine under the Moon Shadows label – Thompson says they are small fry when compared to some Quebec manufacturers. In our neighbouring province it's not uncommon to have forests with 100,000 taps.

The ideal weather for tapping is plus five during the day and minus five at night. This prompts the trees to start digging into the soil to bring the nutrients required to create foliage to the branches. As the sap makes its way up the tree trunk, maple syrup producers divert a small portion into their buckets.

If it gets too warm in the day, the sap's taps turn off. If the transition from winter to spring happens too quickly, then the buds come out early and the sap turns bitter.

The Thompsons' faith in spring was finally rewarded. "We had a wonderful day on Saturday – finally," Carol Thompson said on Monday. "We made about 115 litres of syrup and that was the most we've ever made."

By Monday, however, Mother Nature had once again turned off her taps.



Saints vs. Sinners

A small crowd gathered at the Dysart arena on March 26 for the 2nd annual Saints vs. Sinners hockey game. Members of Haliburton's local churches were invited to play by organizer Chris Chumbley. In the summer the churches also play baseball, which is when Rev. Faun Harriman of St. George's Anglican Church came up with 'Saints vs. Sinners.' Above, 9-year-old Matthew Smith tries to stop Zak Prenger, 18, during a mini-game. Matt James photo.

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From Russia with... gold?

Matt Duchene and Cody Hodgson represent Canada in under-18 hockey championship

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career began 30 years ago. Quinn has coached the Philadelphia Flyers, Los Angeles Kings, Vancouver Canucks and, of course, the Toronto Maple Leafs. Don't forget the Olympic gold medal that he and Team Canada won in Salt Lake City in 2002.

"A guy like him," Duchene says, "has so much experience at the NHL level as well as the Olympic level. He's a higher-level coach than I'm used to. Maybe things are going to rub off on me — whether it's his intensity or the advice he gives. I'm not sure what he's going to provide yet but I'm excited to have him as a coach."

Duchene and the team, which includes Battalion teammate and Haliburton cottager Cody Hodgson, met in Toronto on Sunday and flew to Belarus on Monday where the team will prepare, practise,

and participate in a few exhibition games before flying to Kazan on April 13.

For Duchene the chance to go to Russia and play for Team Canada came out of left field, way out of left field. "When we got put out [of the playoffs] I knew Cody was going [to Russia.] I thought to myself, 'Well, that would be kind of cool to go to that,'" said Duchene. "The next day Hockey Canada was asking for my passport number and then I realized that it could actually happen."

Historically the majority of the team is made up of players whose teams didn't make the playoffs in the CHL, OHL and QMJHL or who were eliminated in the first round. This year, Duchene and three others in the 1991 birth year — Ryan Ellis and Taylor Hall of the Windsor Spitfires and Brayden Schenn of Brantford Wheat Kings — will join Duchene, another 1990 baby, on the quest for gold.



MATT JAMES/ECHO

Matt Duchene stands beside his first Team Canada jersey, this one from the gold-medal-winning Team Ontario in this year's Under-17 tournament.

Duchene wasn't sure what role he'd be playing but he feels sure of his preparedness, for which he gives full credit to Battalion head coach Stan Butler and the entire Brampton coaching staff.

"Stan Butler has prepared me for any situation and any role I could possibly play," said Duchene. "I'm willing to play any role," he said. "It's just an honour to be on this team."

He will be playing alongside players he doesn't know, let alone recognize. "That will take a bit of adjusting to but I think that's why we have such early preparation."

Whether this year's under-18 squad will gel the way Duchene's gold medal-winning Team Ontario did also remains to be seen but Duchene is feeling positive.

"You have to be willing to sacrifice for the good of the team," he said, just before packing his bags. "It's very tough to find in hockey but whenever you get that combination of players that can do that it's a pretty unbelievable thing."

Duchene credits Hockey Canada for preaching such unselfishness. "Hockey

Canada takes very close notice of character and not just hockey skill. Leadership and character are huge things to have in an international tournament when you're only together for a short time."

And Duchene, a bright and mature young man whose marks average 85 per cent, isn't blind to what the opportunity could mean for his future.

"Obviously, any time you get to represent your country you're only thinking about the gold medal and putting personal goals to the side," he said. "It's something you think about after the tournament, not during. However it helps me is just a bonus."

For Duchene and Hockey Canada it's all about winning and the challenge is certainly there for this year's team. The last time an under-18 squad had gold between their teeth was in 2003 after defeating Slovakia 3-0 in Russia.

"I got a taste of gold at the under-17 this year and honestly it's the greatest feeling in the world," said Duchene. "I think a gold medal [in Russia] would be just as sweet or sweeter as the under-17 medal. It would be unbelievable."

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Steve Galea is the province's funniest humour writer – again

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"The writing was clear and explored many facets of the once-popular sport which is threatened by both the lack of snow and rising insurance rates. Hoekstra saw a community trend and sought to explore the effect on the community and its businesses."

Columnist Steve Galea has one more award to add to his OCNA collection. He was once again chosen as the best humour columnist in Ontario. "Steve's columns are of uniformly high quality. He demonstrates the effortless comedic timing characteristic of first-rate humorists, together with the ability to generate column material from seemingly mundane subjects such as fire hydrants and pontoon boats. An all-around terrific showing."

The annual *Fall Tour* was once again in the winner's circle, coming first in the Best Special Section category for all newspapers with a circulation less than 10,000.

The judge said the *Fall Tour* "was lovely to behold. As much care and consideration were given to content and design as to the section's appeal to advertisers and, as a result, it would appear the reader, the advertiser and the newspaper's bottom line were all well served."

The *Echo* would like to share the praise for this success with Rachel Etmanskie, the graphic artist at *Barry's Bay This Week* who designed this year's supplement.



Representatives of the *Haliburton County Echo* were in Toronto on Saturday night for the annual awards competition sponsored by the Ontario Community Newspaper Association. From left are Rachel Etmanskie, who designed *Fall Tour*, OCNA president Abbas Homayed, *Echo* editor Martha Perkins and reporter Greg Hoekstra. The *Echo* came second in Ontario in its circulation and won four first place awards. The *Minden Times* placed first in Ontario in its circulation class.

The front page of the February 27 edition won first prize for Best Tabloid Front Page for papers with circulations less than 10,000. "Very strong news content complete with a good eye-catching photo. A clear, crisp design."

The *Echo* would like to congratulate former photographer Casey Lessard who has started his own weekly newspaper, the *Grand Bend Strip*. Lessard once again came second as Photographer of the Year and one of his photo pages also won a second-place award.

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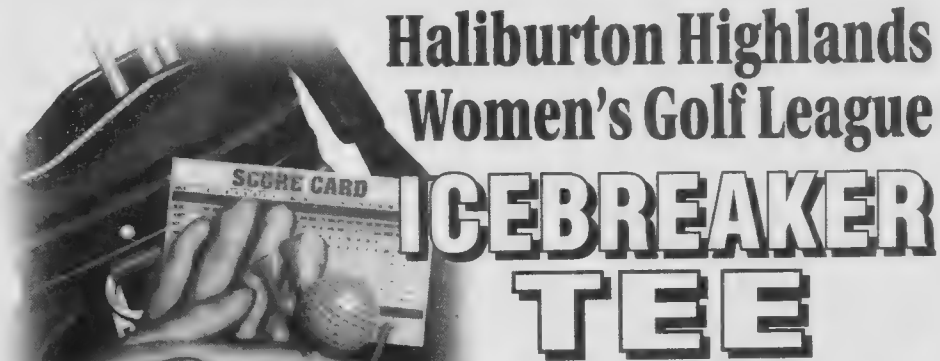


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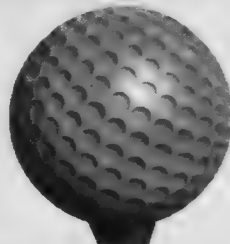
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A chain of skaters lines centre ice during the Haliburton Figure Skating Festival's title number "Puttin' on the Ritz."



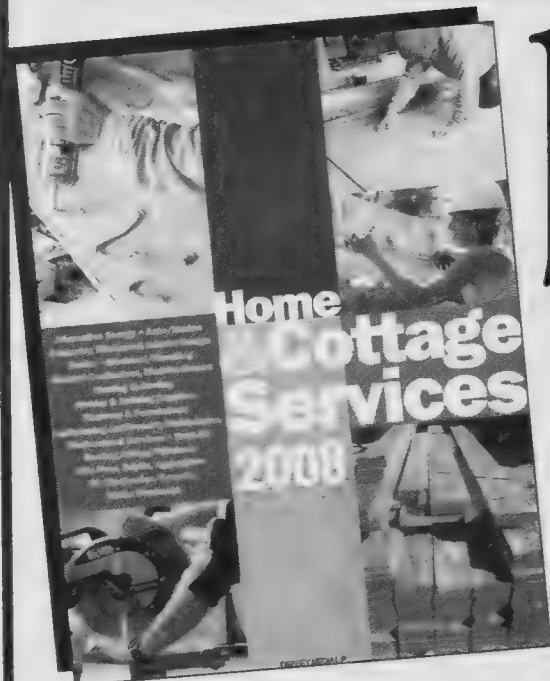
Close friends Sandy Griffith and Jessica Duchene were all smiles during "Jump, Jive and Wail."



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Shannon McMurray spins 'round and 'round.



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Casey Pringle holds a perfect pose during her solo to "All that Jazz."



Shannon McMurray (left) is joined by Dana Manning, a member of the club's adult skating program, for the senior dance.

Haliburton skaters dazzle crowd

The Haliburton Figure Skating Club's annual winter skating carnival was held on Saturday, March 29 at the Dysart arena. Skaters of all ages dazzled crowds during this year's performance, titled "Puttin' on the Ritz."

Photos by GREG HOEKSTRA



The Junior Dance Stars perform a group number.



Xavier Dulong and Codie Wilkinson were two "kool" dudes in "The Legend of Johnny Kool".



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457-2571

Well I do not know about the rest of you but I am really glad to see the snow finally starting to go. The only problem is that the driveway at the branch is flooding so we would like to ask that you please drive slowly when going that way. We are doing every thing that we can to get rid of the water.

The branch would like to extend an invitation to all the volunteers who help out. There will be a volunteer day on Sunday, April 13 starting at 3 p.m. in the afternoon. For more details please contact me at the branch at 457-2571. Hope to see you there. Your help over the past year has been greatly appreciated. I would ask that you please let us know by April 8 to help with the planning of the food.

Anyone interested in playing cards or euchre on a Monday afternoon at the branch is asked to get in touch with the sports officer, Bill Timms, at 754-2799 and let him know. He keeps winning all the

games since there is no one for him to play against.

The Jack Bassett Curling Tournament was another success. First place winners were Wilf Guenette, Bev. Martin, Mary Lou Waggett and Gord Arthur. Coming in second was the team of Don Witmore, Patrick Mitchell, Jack Greavette and Carla Watson. The third place team was Bill Hare, Doreen De Graves, Beryl Rasmus and Robert McIvor. Congratulations to all.

Last but not least the general meeting for April is Thursday, April 10 at 7.30 p.m. I do not know if all of the members realize that if the members do not attend the meetings the executive cannot do any business. After all this is your Legion. Without your help we cannot carry on your wishes.

You have the power to help with the decisions but if you are not here how are we supposed to know what they are? It takes one member more than the executive to make a quorum which enables us to carry on. Last month we could not carry on; there were not enough members. Hope to see you out.

On April 24 service officer Scott Young will be visiting the branch. If you would like to visit with him please let us know.

Heaven in Haliburton

Naturalist to present his research at meeting

Everyone is invited to the annual general meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust on Saturday, April 26, at 10 am at the Haliburton campus of Sir Sandford Fleming College.

Learn more about the work the Land Trust is doing to preserve Haliburton County's natural heritage. There will be

a special presentation by Paul Heaven on his research and mapping project on Species At Risk in Haliburton County, commissioned by the Trust and generously supported by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

For more information contact info@haliburtonlandtrust.ca or 754-2532.

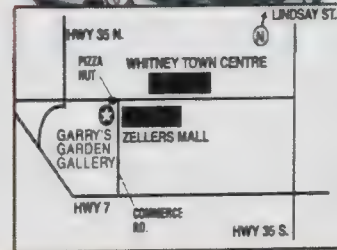
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New initiative helps shoreline property owners ensure the health of their lake

The exceptional quality of our lake water and the natural beauty of the surrounding landscape is what originally drew people to settle homes and cottages on the shorelines of "lakeland". But increasingly, the health of our lake ecosystems is changing.

A new initiative by the Lakeland Alliance will help shoreline owners take positive action on their own individual properties that will contribute to the overall health of their lakes.

The Alliance is currently seeking proposals from lake associations within the counties of Peterborough, Haliburton and Hastings to participate in a shoreline site advisor program from June to September of 2008. Through this program, a qualified advisor will work with lake association representatives towards providing up to 50 on-site consultations to shoreline owners along with conducting a number of educational presentations

at lake community events of the successful association. Proposals will be accepted from Monday, April 7 to Monday, April 21.

To find out how to have your lake association considered for this opportunity contact the Stewardship Council Coordinator within the specified counties or contact Michael Gibbs at 705.745.3238 or via e-mail at lakelandalliance@cogeco.net.

The Lakeland Alliance is a collaboration of government agencies and environmental organizations working together with landowners and partners to protect and improve the quality of the lakes and rivers throughout the greater Kawartha Lakes watershed.

This program is being funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation and in part by the members of the Lakeland Alliance.

Grenville Griffin doing his civic duty on the highway

community news

west guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Bill Reynolds has just returned from three weeks in Egypt. Some of the sights and places viewed and experienced were Cairo, where they toured the museums, the St. Catherine monastery, the site of the burning bush, Mt. Sinai, Alexandria, with its allied war cemetery, the battlefield of the Al-Alamein, the Roman catacombs and amphitheatre, Kamak and Hathor temples, cities of Luxor and Memphis, the sphinx and pyramids.

Bill reports that the accommodation and food were excellent. The Nile cruise was another trip on the travels. It was noted that there was a large military presence and police presence wherever they went.

Carol Duncan is a resident at Extendicare and from her first day she was taking part in the activities offered.

Grenville Griffin is doing civic duty as he walks from his place on Shamber Trail on Hwy 118 to the Maple Lake United Church and collects large numbers of cans, thus making the local roadway a little tidier.

Gren Schrader wrote me an interesting letter full of family news, including the information that his granddaughter, Kiera from Calgary, like Abby Blythe Hegerman, was also in residence at The Castle in England during her first year studies and is now at Queen's University in Kingston. Well done young students!

The monthly meeting of the Centre's board saw ten people in attendance. In connection with the pavilion to be built on the grounds of the centre, Carol Stamp noted that there is a need for project manager. Numbers are increasing for bingo nights and euchre nights are well attended, but more are always welcome.

"Showers of Celebration" was the name of the LIFT program on April 3 at The Centre, with 55 ladies in attendance. Special features were Kim Burke of Millennium Lifestyle Gym and Fitness Centre, music by Kyla Bryant, and speaker Barb Bider of Gooderham.



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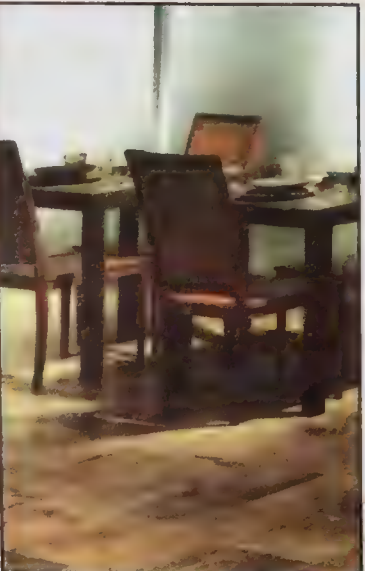
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Haliburton School of the Arts shows off

The Haliburton School of The Arts held an open house Saturday, April 5 for anyone interested in attending the school in the fall. The open house gives everyone an opportunity to meet faculty and students, as well as find out about admission requirements to the programs and certificates offered at the school. School staff said the open house was a great success and that approximately 50 students total had applied or were applying. 21-year-old Simone Anscorb of Thornbury displays her glassblowing technique while Terry Craig, the studio technician and summer instructor speaks to a few open house guests.

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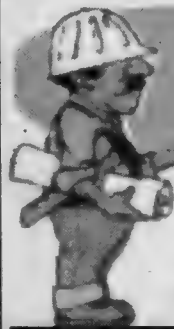
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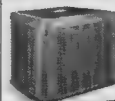
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Loop Troupe actresses Leah Grant (left) and Hilda Clark (right) share a spot of tea and mourn the loss of Jacob Starkie in Pat Wilson's play *Funeral Tea*.



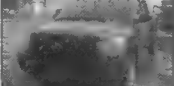
Funeral tea

This Friday and Saturday the Loop Troupe presents a "trilogy of comedies" written by Pat Wilson and directed by Gill Stephen. The cast, shown above from left, includes local actors Dan Linkert, Carolyn Barnes, Kim Barrett, Leah Grant and Hilda Clark.

The series of plays are called *Funeral Tea*, *Reunion*, and *Ashes to ashes, crust to crust*. The Friday show begins at 7:30 p.m. and the Saturday play begins a half hour earlier at 7 p.m. (both at the Lyod Watson Centre in Willberforce). For more on the play see page 21.



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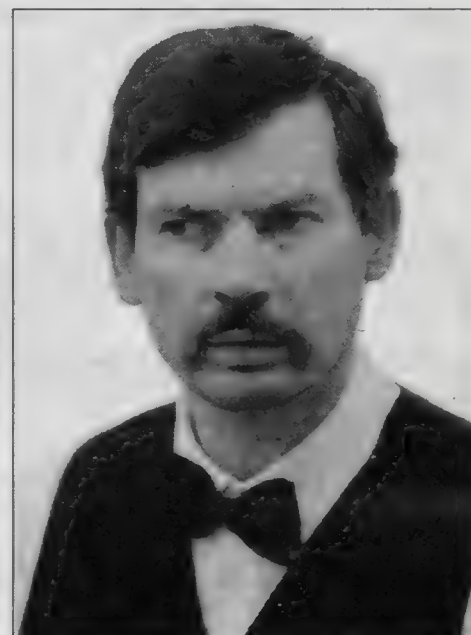
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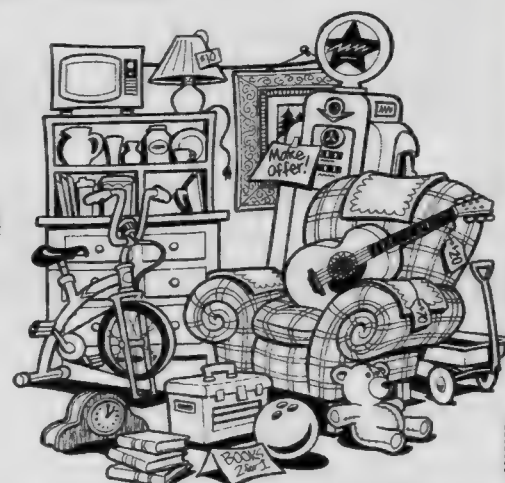
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Wilberforce

Hilda Clark
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A full house greatly enjoyed the music of the Gryphon Trio at the Northern Lights Pavilion on Saturday April 5. Wilberforce was well represented and heard and saw one of the world's best chamber ensembles. Annalee Patipatanakoon on violin, Roman Borys on cello and Jamie Parker on piano make up this trio which we learn from a brochure is "now in its second decade, continuing to explore new repertoire, generate new ideas and, like its name, Gryphon is truly a guardian of treasures."

The program ranged from Beethoven and Dvorak to a Christos Hatzis (b.1953) piece, "Old Photographs," part of a multimedia work entitled "Constantinople" commissioned and premiered by the Gryphon Trio. What a fine concert, part of

the 2008 Concert Series.

Still on the arts, but in the amateur area, the Loop Troupe's spring production is on stage this Friday and Saturday evenings April 11 and 12. Start times are Friday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday a little earlier at 7 p.m. And the price is right at only \$8. Tickets may be purchased at Agnew's Store or at the door. Seats are unassigned. *Funeral Tea, Reunion and Ashes To Ashes Crust To Crust* will really entertain you. The lights and sound are organized by Danny Linkert. The set has taken shape there on the Lloyd Watson Centre stage thanks to the creative hard work of Gill Stephen, Adele Barnes, Doug Stephen and Dan Linkert with support from Jim Saunders.

Come ready to enjoy the trials and antics of Sarah and Martha, their friend Miss Parker, the caterer Ellis and Mrs. Booth, a lady who just likes to go to funerals, mainly for the free teas. As she says, "You have to take your pleasures where you can when you're on t'pension." The Loop Troupe would take pleas-

ure in your attendance for this comedy as they deal with Uncle Jacob's ashes.

The 7 p.m. Saturday start time for the play will enable people attending the play to go on afterwards to a benefit dance in Harcourt. It is in support of George Calfas and Joann Bugg and Bob and Lisa Kim. Both couples lost their homes to fire this winter. Let's make that a good night for all.

From the Wilberforce School newsletter we learn that Principal Ms. Joanie Croft will not be returning this school year. She had an unfortunate accident in December 2006 just before she was to take up her duties here and has spent much time in healing. Elaine Fournier of the Cardiff School has been asked by the school board to support the school here as Barb Davies continues half-time in the office as administrator assistant and half time

teaching the kindergarten children. Ms. Andrea Burk will continue with the Grade 5/6 class until year end.

That Grade 5/6 class had an excellent trip to Ottawa on April 2. They went up the Peace Tower and attended Question Period in the House of Commons. Their tour included the incredible parliamentary library. This was all after lunch in a parliament cafeteria where MP Barry Devolin welcomed them. What a great learning experience - and from the photos it looked like fun too.

We were pleased to see Carolyn Barnes in the high school play *Love And Other Myths* last week. The play was entered in the Sears Festival which was held in North Bay this year. Congratulations to the cast and director Darrell Dobson. We understand they found it a great experience.

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Applicants must be renting, be at least 18 years old, have a gross household income at or below \$51,200 and be eligible for financing from a financial institution. The selling price of the home must be at or below \$170,000. Applicants must also be a first time home buyer and the home must be located in the City of Kawartha Lakes or the County of Haliburton.

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- DATE: Monday May 5th, 2008
- TIME: 5:00 pm
- LOCATION: Council Chambers in the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton Ontario

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IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Municipality of Dysart et al before the proposed zoning by-law is passed, the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Municipality of Dysart et al to the Ontario Municipal Board.

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FURTHER INFORMATION: including the draft by-law is available from the Planning Department at the Municipality Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Dated at the Township of Dysart, this 8th day of April, 2008.

Patricia Martin, B.E.S., MCIP, RPP, Municipal Planner

Help make good things happen this Saturday

community news

harcourt

Valerie Smith 448-3640

When people come together to better their community, good things happen. Members of the Harcourt Community Centre Hall Board plan to make good things happen on Saturday, April 12 at the Harcourt Community Centre and they invite everyone to join them for a benefit dance to assist two of our local families.

In December George and Joanne Callfus lost their Harcourt home to a fire and Bob and Lisa Kim's

Harcourt home burned in February. Both families lost their homes and all their possessions. Neighbours, family and friends are invited to join these two families at the Harcourt Community Centre from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. for an evening that promises to be outstanding. "The Crosscuts" (the Coghlan brothers and friends) will be on hand to entertain everyone with their special style of great music to dance by or listen to.

Please join us and help these families during this trying period of rebuilding their lives. Good friends, light lunch, great music, worthy cause and cost is by donation. May these two families soon be in their new homes where their hearts can laugh without shyness and their tears can dry at their own pace!

I wish to send out special birthday wishes to my mother, Doreen Oakes. From her I have learned to love, laugh, how to put one foot before the other and to always do the best I can in every task, no matter how unimportant it may seem at the time. Thank you and Happy Birthday!

I continue to look for pictures of the Standard Chemical that was located on the shores of Benoir Lake in the 1940s and '50s. If anyone has pictures of the logging operations at the old mill, please contact Valerie at 448 3640.

Upcoming events in Harcourt:

April 9: Bingo is held every Wednesday evening starting at 7:30 p.m. Harcourt Community Centre. For more information call Debbie Shatraw at 448-3155.

April 10: Progressive Euchre is held every Thursday evening starting at 7:30 p.m. Harcourt Community Centre. Cost is only \$2. Come out for an evening of great fun playing euchre followed by a light social lunch. For more information call Mel or Valerie Smith at 448-3640.

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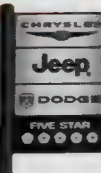


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Earth Day will mark the opening of a window into the intriguing life of award winning author and environmentalist R.D. Lawrence. His 82 years of adventures will be celebrated at R.D. Lawrence Place in Minden when it opens on April 22.

Ron Douglas Lawrence

Courage, compassion for wildlife, and a sometimes dangerous sense of curiosity drove writer Ron Lawrence to study and rescue dozens of injured creatures. He charmed millions of fans with the humour, insights, and wisdom shared in his 30 books, some of which were written during his years in the Haliburton Highlands.

Having survived combat in two wars, he studied biology at Cambridge. Lawrence thought when he immigrated to Canada as a young man that he was ready for the rough life of a homesteader in northern Ontario. He was in for some surprises that rattled his confidence but never shook what became a life-long love affair with the Canadian outdoors and its creatures. His remarkable tales of discovery not only broke long held myths about wildlife that won him accolades from members of the scientific community. He also romanced readers around the globe.

Published in 32 countries in 16 different languages, Lawrence never sought fame; instead, he wrote to educate. This legacy of environmental education continues with the opening of R.D. Lawrence Place.

R.D. Lawrence Place

In 2006, Sharon Lawrence, the late author's wife, donated his literary estate and memorabilia to the Minden Hills Cultural Centre with the hope that the public will continue to learn from her husband's experiences. It is a vision that director Dianne Graham, and a group of volunteers known as the Friends of R.D. Lawrence Place, seized upon.

Funding from the Ministry of Public Infrastructure and Renewal, the Township of Minden Hills and the Haliburton County Development Corporation, coupled with tremendous community support, launched the project.

In 2007, 26 students in Fleming College's Sustainable Building Program came to Minden from across the country to erect a straw bale building using more than a dozen environmentally friendly construction techniques.

They also installed "green" features such as compost-

ing toilets and a water wetland filtration system.

"It's a perfect fit. R.D. Lawrence Place will pay tribute to this man's remarkable legacy in a building that works with nature and natural materials to set new standards for modern green building," says Chris Magwood, the Fleming College professor in charge of the project.

Graham says the mandate of R.D. Lawrence Place is to foster a love of reading, promote the art of writing and deepen respect for our natural heritage. "It is going to be a wonderful gathering place for all ages and will increase awareness of Haliburton County on the international stage."

Grand Opening & Programming

The opening ceremony will take place at 176 Bobcaygeon Road in Minden at 2 p.m. Special guests for the ceremony include Sharon Lawrence and Chris Magwood. There will be tours, audio-visual presentations, demonstrations and entertainment, including a

live auction of the first sheet of R.D. Lawrence limited edition postage stamps. These usable stamps are created through a Canada Post program but are only available for sale at the Cultural Centre. The sale of the stamps is the first R.D.L.P. fundraiser for 2008.

The next event scheduled at R.D. Lawrence Place is a concert by Heather Whaley as a fundraiser for the Haliburton Highlands Writers and Editors Network. It's on April 26 at 7 p.m. Regular programming will then begin with a series of entertaining talks in May by local authors hosted by Writer in Residence Michael Fay, a local award-winning playwright. Fay has planned different activities every month. His play called A River Needs To Run will be performed outdoors at the Cultural Centre from August 21 to 24.

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When a FLOOD SAFETY BULLETIN Is Issued

Secure your home and review evacuation routes with family

Review family Emergency Plan and Kit

Speak to your children and remind them of the dangers of playing near rivers, streams and other watercourses

When a FLOOD ADVISORY Is Issued Move your furniture and valuables to higher floors of your home.

Fill your car's gas tank, in case an evacuation order is issued

When a FLOOD WARNING Is Issued Listen to local radio stations for information and advice.

If told to evacuate, do so as soon as possible

PREPARING AN EMERGENCY SURVIVAL KIT:

Everyone should be prepared to take care of themselves and their families for at least 3 days. Your easy-to-carry emergency survival kit (in case you have to evacuate) should include:

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CURRENT EVENTS

- **Apr 8:** Osteoporosis – Bone up on your Bones!! Hear the latest. Echo Hills Apartment Building at 3 pm. Speaker is Heather Easton, Osteoporosis Canada, Sponsored by the Hal. Highlands Family Health Team, Haliburton, Kawartha, Pineridge District Health Unit, Osteoporosis Canada.
- **Apr. 9:** The Haliburton Highlands Quilt Guild is meeting at the Minden Lion's Club. Doors open at 11 a.m. The meeting starts at 1 p.m. and our visiting speaker will be Renske Helmuth who will do a trunk show. Renske will also do a workshop on the following day. Call Anita Dobell, 457-3723.
- **Apr 9** – Free Dental Screenings for children are available by appointment from 10-12 at the Haliburton OEYC. For more information please call 457-2989. This opportunity is in partnership with HKPR Health Unit.
- **Apr 9:** Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group Meeting will take place in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre (back door). The doors open at 6pm for business and chat. The speaker at 7pm will be Dr. R.B. (Rae) Fleming, historian, biographer and author. Topic "General Stores of Canada: Merchants and Memories". No charge. Everyone Welcome. Refreshments available. Bring & Win Raffle. For more info contact Gail Leach-Wunker 286-2225.
- **Apr 11-12:** The Loope Troupe Production – A Trilogy of Comedies by Pat Wilson. Two nightly shows April 11 - 7:30pm and April 12 - 7:00pm at the Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce. Early show, come before the Harcourt Benefit Dance. Tickets available at Agnew's General Store or at the door. \$8/door.
- **Apr 13:** Spring Fashion Show – Bonnie View Lake Inn on Lake Kawartha – Working with Miss Lester's of Huntsville, and Baubles N' Bonbons of Haliburton, Community Care will be presenting Bridal Wear, Prom Dresses, Evening Wear, Costumes and assorted other fashions along with beautiful Bling and Chocolates. Coffee, Tea, and Treats will be served after the Fashion Show. Tickets are \$20 (limited seating). Tickets can be purchased at Baubles N' Bonbons in Haliburton, the Storeroom in Minden, and at Community Care.
- **Apr 15:** From Lullabies to Literacy at the Haliburton OEYC starting Apr. 15. For parents and children 0-6yrs. Come for a relaxed morning to help your child to love books through activities, song, and stories. For more information or to register at 286-4625 or with Point in Time Centre at 457-5345.
- **Apr 16:** Garlic Workshop with MC Robb, Sponsored by the Haliburton County Farmers Association at 7pm sharp at the Minden Community Centre, Room 2. Admission by donation and door prizes are available.
- **Apr 18:** Fun Raiser – Hot Roast Beef on a Bun – Coleslaw and squares. Tea and coffee. \$5.00. Proceeds to Ladies Auxillary Br. 129 Sports Fund.
- **Apr 24:** Figure out Food Labels – with registered dietitian Rosie Kadwell, 5:30 pm in Haliburton. Please call 457-1391 ext. 245 for more information and to sign up.
- **Apr 26:** Kinmount Committee for Planning and Development – will be holding it's Annual Dinner/Auction at the Galway Hall. Tickets are \$25. Dinner starts at 7pm. Exciting prizes to be won include VIA Rail Passes, Tickets to the Stratford Festival, Agawa Canyon Trail Tour passes and much more! Contact Joyce Brown 488-2687 or Diane Austin 488-2635.
- **Apr 26:** Haliburton Highlands Land Trust – Annual General Meeting – at the Haliburton campus of Sir Sandford Fleming College. Learn more about the work the Land Trust is doing to preserve Haliburton County's Natural Heritage. Special Presentation by Paul Heaven. More information at info@haliburtonlandandtrust.ca or 754-2532.
- **Apr 29:** Emergency First Aid and Level A CPR Course – Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton – 8:30am – 4:30pm. For more information please call St. John's Ambulance, Kawartha Branch at 324-9894
- **Apr 29 & 30:** Standard First Aid and Level A CPR Course – Haliburton Curling Club, Haliburton – 8:30am – 4:30pm. Must attend both sessions. For more information please call St. John's Ambulance, Kawartha Branch at 324-9894

ONGOING EVENTS

- A pictorial essay of Haliburton County . A new picture every day at jackbush.my-expressions.com
- Adult Badminton – Mondays, 8-10 p.m. Runs until May 26/08 at Archie Stoyffer Elementary School, Minden. Call 286-1765.
- Al-Anon Meetings – Haliburton Highlands Meeting, Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., St. George's Anglican Church (side door entrance), Haliburton; Minden Al-anon Meeting, Mondays, 8 p.m. at Hyland Crest Senior Citizens Home meeting room (north entrance), Minden.
- Alzheimer's Disease – "Caring with Confidence" group for caregivers meets on the 4th Thurs. of the month at the Haliburton Hospital Boardroom at 10-12. Call Dorothy or Linda at 457-1742.
- Aqua Size for Seniors or Adults with disabilities - If you are interested, call Community Care 457-2941.
- Celebrate Recovery Meeting – is for everyone with hurts, habits & hang-ups. Lakeside Baptist Church starting at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.) Call 457-2851.
- Contract Bridge - Bid Euchre – Cribbage: For Seniors (55+) or a physically disabled adult (18+). Community Care Haliburton County offers Contract Bridge Mondays at 1 p.m., Bid Euchre Thursdays at 1 p.m. & Cribbage Fridays at 1 p.m. Call Ida at 457-2941.

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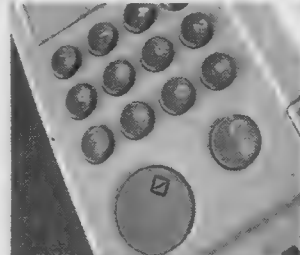
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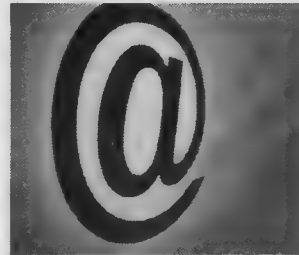
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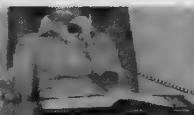
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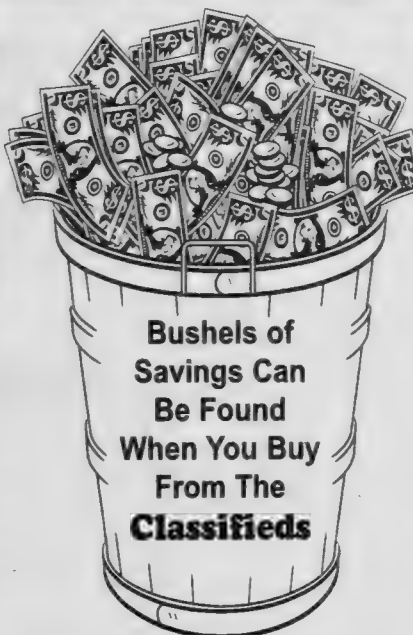


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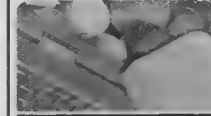
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Phone: 705-457-1742

General Employment A800

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Firewood A180

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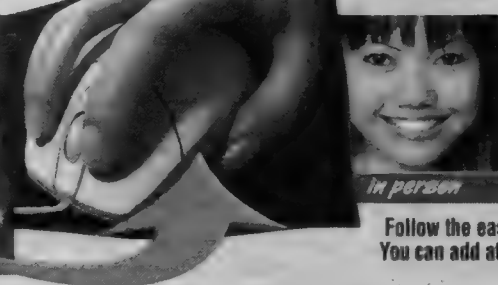
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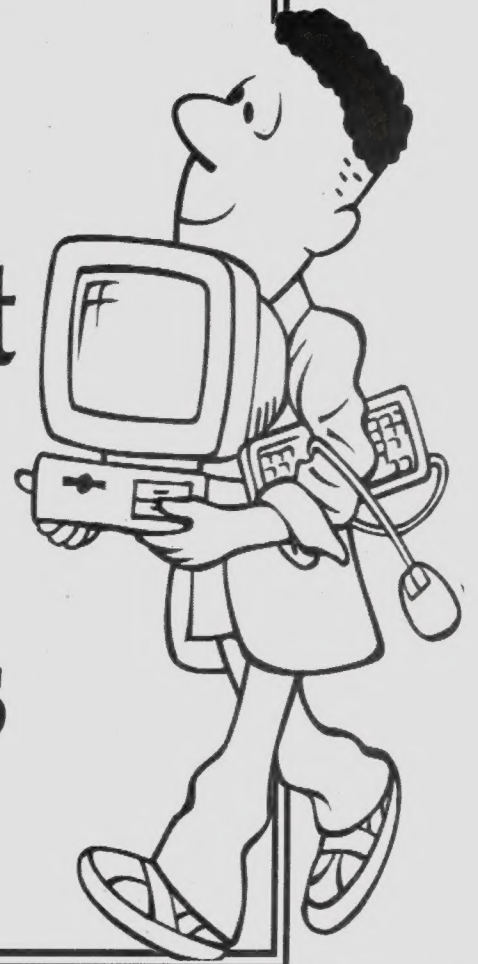
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TENDERS
REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

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BETTER TOGETHER

Coming Events

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Ontario Provincial Command
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Comrade Scott Young

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Service Officer Ed Pickard at 457-8815.

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Coming Events

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The Annual Spring Fling Roast Beef Dinner

Haliburton United Church
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Two sittings at 5:00 p.m.
and 6:30 p.m.
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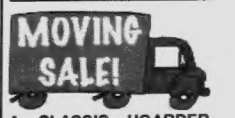
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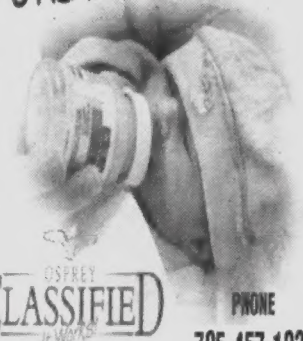
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Births

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Announcing the Jackson Babies



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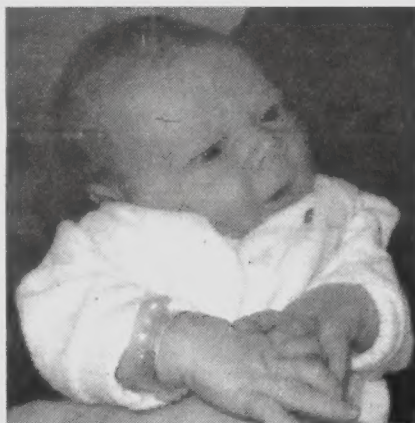
She welcomes with love her Canadian cousin
Edie Rose, Daughter of Brett Jackson and Dana Postill, born Feb 25th in Toronto, ON, weighing 7lb 9oz.



The very excited first time grandparents are Elaine and Robert Jackson (x2), Liz Postill and Dave Cook and Mike and Hazel Hunt (UK)



Great Grandparents are Wendy Bateman and Sid Brinkman, Mavis Brown (UK) and Jack and Doreen Spencley (Again).



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Jake Joseph Neville

born at South Muskoka Memorial Hospital in Bracebridge on Sunday February 17, weighing 8lbs 1½oz.

Proud grandparents are Jim & Pat Neville of Guelph and Ray & Linda Jacobs of Waterloo

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- Karen, Donna, Ann, Nancy and families of the late Betty Wise

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Thank You Cards

Deaths

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Congratulations to Mark & Cinde Kellett Winners of The Sir Sam's Highlands Tour Package.



Deaths

LOWERY, Donald Percival - Born in Toronto on April 22, 1933.

Passed away unexpectedly on Feb 24, 2008 in Nevis, West Indies.

He will be missed by children; John, Susan and Carolyn and grandchildren; Samuel, Mitchell, Julian, Hannah and Vivienne. A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. Friday April 11, 2008 at St Mary's Parish, 100 Young Street, Ottawa Ontario. Kindly forward any condolences and reflections to mlcorak@magma.ca.

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Gone is your love

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- Your Family John, Johnnie and Rebecca

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CURRIE - Susan (Penhale) Currie, who left us on the 8th of April 06 but she is always with us.

"May the wind blow our paths together again"

- Love Mom

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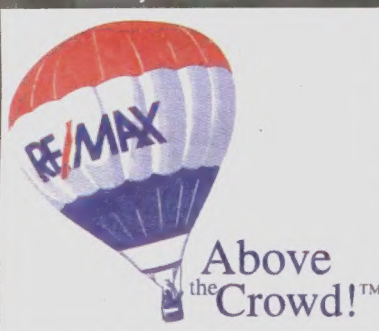
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This home boasts over 800' on the river w/good swimming & total privacy from neighbours. The home features open concept LR/DR/KT w/cathedral tung & groove pine ceiling & a w/o to deck overlooking the river, very scenic setting! Other features include 2/2.5 good size bedrooms, full unfinished basement w/o & more. Call Vince Duchene



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Just 20 minutes from Wilberforce. Built in 1977. This 3 bdrm home/cottage features an open concept, master bdrm w/o to deck, some parquet flooring, summer w/o to deck, stone fireplace, black granite w/o to N. facing 10x25 deck. Bunkies & detached garage w/ing lot. This beautiful setting on a mature lot shows pride of ownership. A must see! Call Rick & Iona



Rick Forget & Iona Fevreau • 448-2222



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IN-TOWN HOME

This cute 2 bdrm home, right in the heart of Minden, has it all! Nice covered porch, great side deck, jacuzzi tub, pine cupboards & hardwood floors in the kitchen & foyer. Main floor laundry & a great corner lot. Call Lenor Fulton



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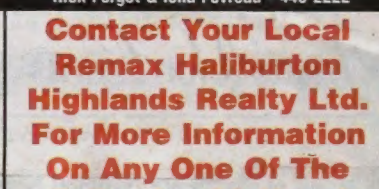
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2 BDRM COTTAGE ON QUIET BAY

Affordable starter cottage or getaway with loading on Drag & Spruce Lake close to Haliburton. This 2 bdrm cottage features a summer porch, front sitting deck, vinyl siding, metal roof, wood floors, and propane FP. Lot boasts 108' ft./96 acres and is relatively level with nice shoreline. For more pics go to www.mls.ca. MLS#A62401100040700 Call Debra Lambe



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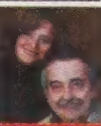
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A MUST SEE!!

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